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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kenneth Smolik on 8/26/09.

The application has been amended as follows:

- a) Regarding to claim 12, on line 9, please delete "prepared or" before "started".
- b) Regarding to claim 18, on line 6, please delete "prepared or" before "started".
- c) Regarding to claim 24, on line 6, please delete "prepared or" before "started".

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 12-28 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: None of the prior art teaches or suggests a method comprising comparing a received bit stream with an expected bit sequence to determine a correlation value; starting data extraction from the bit stream when a correlation value exceeds a threshold value; updating the correlation value as a new threshold value; and continuing comparing the bit stream with the expected bit sequence during stared data extraction.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Eva Y Puente whose telephone number is 571-272-3049. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh Fan can be reached on 571-272-3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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